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Application of: Julie R. Korenberg

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For:

NUCLEIC ACID ENCODING DS- Attorney Docket No.: 9002-006

(formerly P-CE 2817)

CAM PROTEINS AND PRODUCTS RELATED

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2000, and pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the following amendments and remarks. The Applicant submits herewith: (1) a Petition for Extension of Time for three (3) months from August 8, 2000 to and including November 8, 2000; (2) a copy of the pending claims marked as Exhibit A; and (3) a Notice of Appeal.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 49, line 5, please delete "Nybond" and replace with "HYBOND®".

INTHE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Amended) An isolated intronless ducleic acid comprising a nucleotide equence which hybridizes under high stringency conditions to a second nucleic acid encoding the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:11, wherein said high stringency conditions comprise hybridizing in 5X Denhard solution, 5X SSPE and 0.2% sodium

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